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In response to the Restriction Requirement dated March 18, 2002, Applicant elects for prosecution the claims of Group I, 1-25. Please cancel claims 26-30 without prejudice.

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